NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF NURSING **MINUTES** February 19, 2015

Recorder: Kathryn Dickson, Executive Secretary **TOPIC**

DISCUSSION **ACTION**

1.0 Call to Meeting	Board members welcomed Carol Brody, MSN, EdD, RN, who has joined Board staff as Program Specialist IV.	Meeting called to order at 8:22 a.m. with K. Baranowski (KB), Vice-chair, presiding. Board members present: N. Fortin (NF); K. Kidder (KK), T. Collins (TC), R. Petrin (RP), H. Featherston (HF) Board members absent: A. Finn-Waddell (AF), B. Fersch (BF), J. Kuras (JK), C. Smith (CS) R. Duhaime (RD) joined Board at 10:00 a.m. Board staff present: D. Nies (DN), A. Pavlidis (AP), S. Goodness (SG), K. Dickson (KD)
1.1 Open Forum	None	
1.2 Addendum 1.2.1 Additions		7.1.2.1 J. Donahue, add'l documentation 7.1.3.1 M. Buffum, Motion to Continue 7.2.9 J. Collins, VS in lieu of hearing (7.1.4) 8.1.1.1 L. Ryznal, add'l documentation 9.3.7 J. C., RN licensure by endorsement 10.3.4 RVCC, Termination of LPN Program 11.3.4 LPN/RN Scope of Practice: Refill or renew prescriptions
1.2.2 Deletions	None	
1.3 Appearances		7.1.1 L. Graf 8:30 a.m. 7.1.2 J. Donahue 9:00 a.m. 7.1.3 M. Buffum 9:30 a.m. 7.1.4 J. Collins 10:00 a.m. 8.1.1 L. Ryznal 11:00 a.m. 8.1.2 J. Diefenbach 1:00 p.m. 8.1.3 B. Bernier 1:15 p.m. 10.1.1 LRCC 1:30 p.m. 10.1.2 Keene State College 1:45 p.m. 8.1.4 E. Vozzella 2:45 p.m.

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			9.2.1 Z. Austin 3:00 p.m.
2.0	Approval of minutes 2.1 January 15, 2015 Regular Board meeting minutes	Reviewed and discussed.	M/NF, S/TC to approve minutes as written. Unanimous.
4.0	Report of Executive Director/Staff 4.1 Expense Summary Budget	Reviewed and discussed. Since there is no money budgeted for tablets, use of FTP site for Board packets shall be tabled until further notice.	
	4.3 Rules discussion	Reviewed and discussed proposed rules.	
5.0	5.1 Agenda for annual general training program	Board members reminded of March 20, 2015 Annual Office of Attorney General Training Program.	
10.0	Education 10.3 Educational Issues 10.3.1 Harmony Health Care Institute	Reviewed and discussed letter received from Harmony Health regarding current student enrollments. Also reviewed was letter from ACCSC regarding current status of initial accreditation.	Based on delayed institutional accreditation approval and complaint of fiscal impropriety, Board strongly recommends that Harmony Health Care Institute suspend all student admissions until further notice.
	10.3.2 2014 NCLEX Pass Rates	Reviewed and discussed 2014 NCLEX pass rates.	Based on low NCLEX scores, Board requests the following nursing programs be present at March 19, 2015 Board meeting: Plymouth State University NHTI, Concord's Community College
	10.3.3 Rivier University letter	Reviewed and discussed request from Rivier University that status of Conditional Approval be returned to Full Approval since they are now in compliance with Board requirements.	M/TC, S/KK to grant <i>Full Continued Approval</i> to program. Unanimous.
	10.3.4 River Valley Community College Termination of Practical Nursing Program	Reviewed and discussed letter from River Valley Community College Nursing informing Board of intent to terminate Practical Nursing Program pursuant to Nur 603.10 Voluntary Termination.	FYI.
7.0	Adjudicative (Investigator/Prosecutor) 7.1.1 Hearings 7.1.1 L. Graf, RN #044478-21	Hearing held for L. Graf, RN #044478-21, Docket #14-1222-0458 pursuant to the Nurse Practice Act RSA 326-B and the administrative rules, Chapter 100 - 800,	M/NF, S/HF to affirm Hearing Counsel's Proposed Findings of Facts #1-#8; affirm Hearing Counsel's Proposed Rulings of Law #1; affirm Hearing

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	proceeded at 8:23 a.m. with K. Baronowski, Vice-chair presiding. Board members present: N. Fortin (NF); K. Kidder (KK), T. Collins (TC), R. Petrin (RP), H. Featherston (HF) Board staff present: S. Goodness (SG), K. Dickson (KD), Michelle Heaton and Ryan Kuehne, Hearing Counsels for Board of Nursing Reading of Notice of Hearing waived. Respondent present to offer testimony. Hearing concluded at 8:30 a.m.	Counsels Proposed Sanctions #2-#5; amend Hearing Counsel's Proposed Sanctions #1 to dismiss with Letter of Concern and assess monetary penalty of \$1,500 to deter future misconduct and to defray costs associated with investigation and prosecution of case. Yea: NF, KK, KB, RP, HF Nay: TC Motion carries.
7.1.3 Monica Buffum, LNA Inactive LNA #050085-24	Reviewed and discussed Motion to Continue.	M/NF, S/KK to approve Motion to Continue. Unanimous.
7.1.2 J. Donahue RN Endorsement Applicant	Hearing held for J. Donahue, Docket #15-0203-0462 pursuant to the Nurse Practice Act RSA 326-B and the administrative rules, Chapter 100 - 800, proceeded at 9:00 a.m. with K. Baronowski, Vice-chair presiding. Board members present: N. Fortin (NF); K. Kidder (KK), T. Collins (TC), R. Petrin (RP), H. Featherston (HF) Board staff present: S. Goodness (SG), K. Dickson (KD), Michelle Heaton and Ryan Kuehne, Hearing Counsels for Board of Nursing Reading of Notice of Hearing waived. Respondent present to offer testimony. Hearing concluded at 9:12 a.m. M/NF, S/KK to conduct non-public session for purpose of discussion of alleged licensee misconduct. Non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3 II and Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Minutes of non-public session shall be sealed. Board voted as follows: Yea: HF, KK, TC, NF, KB, RP Non-public session began at 9:13 a.m. and concluded at 9:15 a.m.	Decision deferred until March Board meeting.
7.1.4 J. Collins, LNA #015870-24	Reviewed and discussed proposed Voluntary Surrender.	M/TC, S/HF to accept Voluntary Surrender as proposed. Unanimous.

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7.2 Consent Decree/Settlement Agreement/ Voluntary Surrender/Preliminary		RD joined Board at 10:00 a.m.
Agreement for Practice Restrictions 7.2.1 J. Santana, LPN (VS) #015281-22	Previously reviewed.	M/HF, S/KK to approve Voluntary Surrender as proposed. Unanimous.
7.2.2 D. Brown, LNA (SA) #003291-24	Removed from Consent Agenda for discussion.	M/TC, S/NF to approve Settlement Agreement as proposed. Unanimous.
7.2.3 J. Barrett, LPN (VS) #016352-22	Previously reviewed.	M/HF, S/KK to approve Voluntary Surrender as proposed. Unanimous.
7.2.4 J. Duprey Hurd, LPN (SA) #015217-22	Removed from Consent Agenda for discussion.	M/TC, S/NF to approve Settlement Agreement as proposed. Unanimous.
7.2.5 P. Fitzgerald, RN (SA) #028890-21	Removed from Consent Agenda for discussion.	M/TC, S/NF to approve Settlement Agreement as proposed. Unanimous.
7.2.6 A. Bunch, LNA (PA) #017011-24	Removed from Consent Agenda for discussion.	M/TC, S/NF to approve Settlement Agreement as proposed. Unanimous.
7.2.7 N. Brown, LNA (VS) #027650-24	Previously reviewed.	M/HF, S/KK to approve Voluntary Surrender as proposed. Unanimous.
7.2.8 B. Weafer, RN (VS) #027850-21	Previously reviewed.	M/HF, S/KK to approve Voluntary Surrender as proposed. Unanimous.
7.4 Dismissals (Proposed) 7.4.1 – 7.4.6	Previously reviewed 7.4.1 through 7.4.6.	M/HF, S/KK to approve recommendations for 7.4.1 through 7.4.6 as proposed. Unanimous.

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	7.5 Recommendations 7.5.1 – 7.5.3	Previously reviewed 7.5.1 through 7.5.3.	M/HF, S/KK to approve recommendations for 7.5.1 through 7.5.3 as proposed. Unanimous.
8.0	Adjudicative (Executive Director) 8.2 Recommendations (Proposed) 8.2.1 – 8.2.7 Letters of Concern and Dismissals (BF, LPN; recused Board member)	Previously reviewed 8.2.1 through 8.2.7.	BF recused. M/HF, S/KK to approve recommendations for 8.2.1 through 8.2.7 as proposed. Unanimous.
9.3	Licensure – non-appearances 9.3.1 – 9.3.6 Pending licensure in NH	Previously reviewed 9.3.1 through 9.3.6.	M/HF, S/KK to approve licensure in NH for 9.3.1 through 9.3.6. Unanimous.
8.0	Adjudicative (Executive Director) 8.1 Requests for Reinstatement, Removal of Probation, Restrictions, Modifications or Conditions 8.1.1 L. Ryznal, RN #047047-21	L. Ryznal offered oral testimony in support of petition for removal of probation from NH RN license.	M/KK, S/TC to remove probation and all conditions from NH RN license. Unanimous.
11.0	Practice Inquiries and Practice Committee Reports 11.1 Liaison Committee (KK)	No meeting	
	11.2 P & E Committee (NF)	No meeting.	
	11.3 Request for Board advice: 11.3.1 RN Scope of Practice: Administration of saline and air through IV for Bubble studies	Reviewed and discussed question of whether or not it is within RN scope of practice to administer saline and IV contrast for bubble studies.	Board requested further information and will schedule meeting for March 19, 2015.
	11.3.2 LNA Scope of Practice: Assist physician with sclerotherapy injection	Reviewed and discussed question of whether or not it is within LNA scope of practice to assist physician with Sclerotherapy injection of methylene blue dye, India ink, saline or epinephrine into submucosa.	M/NF, S/KK that it is NOT within LNA scope of practice to assist physician with Sclerotherapy injection. Unanimous.
	11.3.3 RN/LPN Scope of Practice: Increase voltage settings on deep	Reviewed and discussed question of whether or not it is within RN or LPN scope of practice to increase voltage settings on deep brain stimulator.	M/NF, S/KK to affirm that it is within RN scope of practice NOT LPN scope of practice with proper

settings on deep brain stimulator.

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	11.3.4 RN/LPN Scope of Practice: Refill or renew prescriptions	Reviewed and discussed question of whether or not it is within RN or LPN to refill or renew prescriptions if provider has approved standing order to permit it for routine, ongoing medications for stable patients who adhere to routine follow-up visits and are not a scheduled drug or a drug dependent on lab values (such as thyroid, Coumadin, Dilantin.)	Unanimous. M/NF, S/KK to affirm that it is within RN or LPN scope of practice to refill or renew prescriptions provided they have approved standing order. Unanimous.
12.0	Committee Reports and Recommendations 12.1 HeM 1201 (TC)	No meeting.	
	12.3 ADA (NF, AF, TC)	No applicants.	
10.0	Education 10.1 Consideration for Approval Status 10.1.1 Lakes Region Community College	Reviewed and discussed Lakes Region Community College Interim Education Report and substandard NCLEX pass rates with Martha Pasquale, Chair.	Based on lack of evidence regarding improvement of student learning outcomes for Fall 2014 and Spring 2015 and lack of trended/aggregated date from ATI testing, Board recommends suspension of student admission and enrollment for admitting class of Fall 2015.
	10.1.2 Keene State College	Reviewed and discussed Keene State College Interim Education Report and substandard NCLEX pass rates with Joan Earle Hahn, Director of Nursing.	Board had concerns and strongly recommended increase in faculty positions to at least one full time faculty and limit on further enrollment in nursing program.
8.1	Requests for Reinstatement, Removal of Probation, Restrictions, Modifications or Conditions 8.1.3 B. Birner, RN/APRN #026213-21/23	B. Birner appeared before Board with Kimberly Troland, Esq., in support of petition for modification of Board-ordered stipulations while in retirement status.	M/TC, S/KK to approve request for release from drug testing while in retirement status. Respondent must notify Board if he obtains nursing employment. Unanimous.
	8.1.4 E. Vozzella, RN #056830-21	E. Vozzella offered oral testimony in support of petition to reinstate NH RN license upon successful completion of re-entry program.	M/NF, S/KB to grant temporary license to participate in NH Board approved re-entry program. Upon successful completion of re-entry program, Respondent shall appear before Board for approval for reinstatement. Unanimous.

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13.0 Draft of LNA legislation (DN)	Discussed draft of legislation regarding LNA medication administration. Discussed looking into obtaining language from other states.	M/NF, S/KK to approve letter to be drafted regarding LNA medication administration. Unanimous.
14.0 National Council	DN to attend NCSBN midyear meeting in March. Plans to discuss changing compact rules and adoption of consensus model.	
14.1 NCSBN Compact Draft Option	Reviewed NCSBN Compact Draft Option. Option #3 was the option that all Boards may try to implement into statute. This would require that we ADOPT Option 3 at same time that current compact is REPEALED. This would allow 6-month transition to new process.	M/NF, S/TC to agree with Option 3 of the NCSBN Compact Draft Option. Unanimous.
17.0 Adjournment	Next regular meeting: March 19, 2015 8:00 a.m. NH Board of Nursing Conference Room B119 121 South St Concord, NH 03301	Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Denise Nies, MSN, RN, BC
		Executive Director